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RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed July 25, 2007, a Request for Continued Examination is filed herein. Please consider the following amendments and remarks prior to examination of the application pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.